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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No. 732.400

First Inventor or Application Identifier Robert A. Luciano

Title PRINTER TEAR BAR AND PRESENTER SYSTEM

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**  
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- Descriptive title of the invention
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  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to Microfiche Appendix
  - Background of the invention
  - Brief Summary of the invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
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6. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
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